

Testimony on House Bill 6025

An Act Allowing Medical Assistants to Administer Medication under Supervision

Dear Senator Gerratana, Senator Somers, Representative Steinberg and members of the Public Health Committee,

I am writing to you to provide testimony on **House Bill 6025, An Act Allowing Medical Assistants to Administer Medication under Supervision**

The office practice of medicine becomes more challenging with each passing year. Clinical care teams with each member practicing to the “top of their license” are critical to ensure adequate access to care and a practice environment that reduces the chance of practitioner burnout. This bill is a step in that direction.

Medical assistants are trained and certified to provide vaccines. As it stands, patients themselves self-administer injectable medications such as insulin, hormones and anticoagulants.

Connecticut is one of only two states nationwide that do not have legislation allowing medical assistants to administer medications under supervision. Granting this ability will allow nurses and physicians to provide the more specialized services our patients need. I urge you to consider passage of this legislation.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments to you today.

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